

REMARKS

The Applicants do not believe that examination of this response will result in the introduction of new matter into the present application for invention. Therefore, the Applicant requests that the above amendment be entered and that the claims to the present application, kindly, be reconsidered.

The Advisory Office Action dated October 18, 2005 has been received and considered by the Applicants. Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application for invention. The Advisory Office Action dated October 18, 2005 affirmed the rejection of Claims 1-20 by the July 5, 2005 Final Office Action. The foregoing Preliminary Amendment

Claim 1 is rejected under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph for containing subject matter that is not supported by the specification. The Examiner's position is that the specification does not provide support for the subject matter of the grid containing a plurality of key frames for each program. The foregoing amendment to the claims has removed the term "a plurality of key frames for each program".

Claims 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, and 20 are rejected under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by GB 2330474 by Hong (hereinafter referred to as Hong). The foregoing amendment has modified the rejected claims to define subject matter for has choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein each of the plurality of programs has an area within the display for that program and selection of the area results in the displaying of a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses. Hong does not disclose or suggest displaying a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area of program guide slotted for that program, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

Claims 1-3, 5, 6 and 8 are rejected under the provisions of U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hong in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,870,573 issued to Yeo et al. (hereinafter referred to as Yeo et al.).

The foregoing amendment has modified the rejected claims to define subject matter for has choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein

each of the plurality of programs has an area within the display for that program and selection of the area results in the displaying of a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses. Yeo et al. or Hong, either alone in combination, do not disclose or suggest displaying a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area of program guide slotted for that program, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

Claims 4 and 9 are rejected under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Hong in view of Yeo et al. and further in view of U.S. Publication No. 2004/0230992 in the name of Yuen et al. (hereinafter referred to as Yuen et al.).

The foregoing amendment has modified the rejected claims to define subject matter for has choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein each of the plurality of programs has an area within the display for that program and selection of the area results in the displaying of a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses. Yuen et al., Yeo et al. or Hong, either alone in combination, do not disclose or suggest displaying a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area of program guide slotted for that program, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

The Applicants would like to, respectfully, point out that Yuen et al. do not disclose or suggest a key frame images having a corresponding sound bite. Yuen et al. disclose playing programs in a PIP window with audio, but there is no disclosure or suggestion for sound bites to be associated with key frames. In fact Yuen et al. does not address key frames as defined by the claims to the present invention. Therefore, this rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 15 is rejected under the provisions of U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hong in view of White et al. The foregoing amendment has modified the rejected claims to define subject matter for has choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein each of the plurality of programs has an area within the display for that

program and selection of the area results in the displaying of a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses. White et al. or Hong, either alone in combination, do not disclose or suggest displaying a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area of program guide slotted for that program, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

The Applicants would like to, respectfully, point out that White et al. does not disclose or suggest highlighting a key frame as defined by the claims to the present invention. The combination does not disclose or suggest, highlighting a key frame, much less highlighting a key frame in color. Therefore, this rejection is, respectfully, traversed.

Claims 12, 17 and 19 are rejected under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Hong in view of U.S. Publication No. 2004/0230992 in the name of Yuen et al. (hereinafter referred to as Yuen et al.).

The foregoing amendment has modified the rejected claims to define subject matter for has choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein each of the plurality of programs has an area within the display for that program and selection of the area results in the displaying of a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses. Yuen et al., Yeo et al. or Hong, either alone in combination, do not disclose or suggest displaying a sequence of key frame images for the selected program within the area of program guide slotted for that program, wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

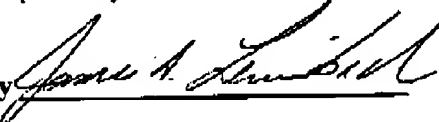
The Examiner admits that Hong in view of Yeo et al. fails to disclose that the key frame images comprise at least one sound bite. The Examiner further states that Yuen et al. disclose a program selection system comprising a key frame images having a corresponding sound bite in paragraph 15. The Applicants would like to, respectfully, point out that Yuen et al. do not disclose or suggest a key frame images having a corresponding sound bite. Yuen et al. disclose playing programs in a PIP window with audio, but there is no disclosure or suggestion for sound bites to be associated with key

frames. In fact Yuen et al. does not address key frames as defined by the claims to the present invention. Therefore, this rejection is respectfully traversed.

The Applicants are not aware of any additional patents, publications, or other information not previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office which would be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.99.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance, with such allowance being, respectfully, requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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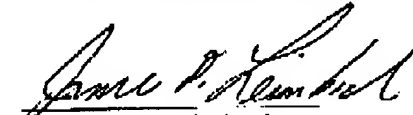
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